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SUBJ: COLOMBIAN VIEWS ON PANAMA CANAL TOLL INCREASE

REF: STATE 058007

ACTING SUBSECRETARY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN FONMIN ROBERTO SOTO TOLD POLITICAL COUNSELOR ON MARCH 29 THAT COLOMBIA DOES NOT PLAN TO SUBMIT ANY VIEWS WITH RESPECT TO TOLL INCREASES. COLOMBIA PREFERS THAT TOLL NOT BE RAISED BUT WILL POST NO OBJECTION TO PROPOSED INCREASE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

A) THE PROPOSED INCREASE WOULD REPRESENT ONLY AN ADDITIONAL US \$250,000 IN COSTS TO THE COLOMBIAN MERCHANT MARINE.

B) COLOMBIA RECOGNIZES THAT TARIFFS HAVE NOT BEEN RAISED SINCE THE OPENING OF THE CANAL AND THAT IN RELATION TO OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES CANAL TARIFFS ARE A BARGAIN.

C) COLOMBIA ACCEPTS THE PREMISE THAT THE CANAL SHOULD BE SELF-SUFFICIENT.

D) IT IS IN PANAMA'S INTERESTS THAT TOLLS BE RAISED AND COLOMBIA

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DOES NOT WANT TO APPEAR UNSYMPATHETIC TO PANAMA'S ASPIRATIONS.

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